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DATE:

February 16, 2009

TO:

All Local Health Departments

Attn: Chief Food Specialist

FROM:

A. Scott Gilliam, MBA, CP-FS

Manager, Food Protection Program

SUBJECT:

Aurora Products Inc. Expands Peanut Recall

SUGGESTED

ACTION:

Peanut Recall; Due to Salmonella typhimurium; Recommend notification of affected stores via phone,

fax or e-mail.

From the information provided by FDA, the recalled products were distributed in the neighboring State of Ohio, and not in Indiana. Products were distributed in ME, NH, VT RI, CT, NY, NJ, PA, OH, DE, WV, VA, MD, FL and TX. Detail information is not available at this time. In addition, if any recalled product is found, please notify this office at 317-233-7360.

Aurora Products Inc. Expands Their Voluntary Recall to Include Organic Raw, Organic Roasted Salted and Organic Roasted Unsalted Peanuts Produced Under Aurora Natural Brand Due to Possible Peanut Corporation of America (PCA) Contamination and Potential Health Risk

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE -- Stratford, CT (February 12, 2009) – Aurora Products, Inc. today announced they are expanding their voluntary recall of certain lot codes of Aurora Natural products to include Organic Peanuts, Roasted Salted Organic Peanuts and Roasted Unsalted Organic Peanut products with Best If Used By: date codes from 1/01/2007 to 4/2/2009. This voluntary recall was expanded to include the Organic peanuts because the products listed below contain peanuts which were supplied or manufactured by Peanut Corporation of America (PCA). PCA is the focus of an ongoing Salmonella investigation by the United States Food & Drug Administration (FDA).

Salmonella is an organism which can cause serious and sometimes fatal infections in young children, frail or elderly people, and others with weakened immune systems. Healthy persons infected with Salmonella often experience fever, diarrhea (which may be bloody), nausea, vomiting and abdominal pain. In rare circumstances, infection with Salmonella can result in the organism getting into the bloodstream and producing more severe illnesses such as arterial infections



(i.e., infected aneurysms), endocarditis and arthritis. For more information on Salmonella, please visit the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Web site at www.cdc.gov (or call 1-800-232-4636).

We are communicating with all of the warehouses and stores that have received the products listed below. They have been instructed to cease distribution of these products and remove them from the store shelves. The product should be documented and destroyed. Products were distributed in ME, NH, VT RI, CT, NY, NJ, PA, OH, DE, WV, VA, MD, FL and TX.

Consumers that have the listed products may return them to the point of purchase for refund or credit and may contact Aurora Products Inc. with questions at **(800) 898 – 1048** between the hours of 8:00AM to 5:00 PM EST

Only the Aurora Natural Brand products listed below which have a **BEST IF USED BY** date code **beginning 1/01/2007** and **ending 4/2/2009** are affected.

The products included in this recall are:

UPC CODE	AFFECTED PRODUCT	BEST IF USED BY DATE CODE	PRODUCT WEIGHT
65585200445	Organic Peanuts, Raw (Plastic Cup)	1/01/2007 to 4/02/09	10 oz
65585200446	Organic Roasted Salted Peanuts (Plastic Cup)	1/01/2007 to 4/02/09	10 oz
65585200155	Organic Roasted Unsalted Peanuts (Plastic Cup)	1/01/2007 to 4/02/09	10 oz

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